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1. Between 20 May and 6 June 1953, the following motor vehicles were used by the individual stores, referred to as Wirtschaften, of the merchandise distribution center in Werder, referred to as Basa:

Name of Store

Boldovski (1)
Vollevach (2)
Gitun (3)
Gorshkov (4)
Toporkov (8)
Mashkin (9)
Ovzianikov (10)
Zulayev (12)
Strishkov (13)
Komar (14)
Mazlov (16)
Shurunov (17)

2. Supply officer Chernov (fnu) who was detached to the USSR after 20 May 1953 was replaced by supply officer Lieutenant Mazlov (fnu) who wore red-bordered silver epaulets. Lieutenant Mazlov, formerly had been the deputy for supply officer of Mashkin or Store (9). After 20 May, Store (9), Mashkin, supplied the Dallgow-Doerberitz military post which had formerly been assigned to Store Krushilnitski.² Store (2) Vollevach was located at Zerbat.
3. The Soviet main bookkeeper in the main bureau of the Basa on Eisenbahn Strasse in Werder was Major Zavada (fnu) who wore red-bordered silver epaulets. The superior of the chiefs of the Basas was Lieutenant Colonel Ivanov (fnu) in Wueasdorf.³
4. At about 6:30 a.m. on 22 May, a fire broke out in the Soviet officers' club in the former Friedrichshoehe restaurant in Werder. The entire educational hall was on fire by the time that the fire brigade from Potsdam arrived.
5. A fire broke out in the Friedrichshoehe restaurant in Werder at 5:15 a.m. on 22 May. Subsequently, the members of the air force construction staff in Werder and the German workers who had formerly been employed at the Friedrichshoehe restaurant were

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questioned by the MVD, Potsdam. According to this inquiry, no German workers had entered the Friedrichshoene restaurant for about 5 weeks. Construction superintendent Giese (fnu) stated that the fire was caused by the negligence of two Soviet soldiers on 21 May, who had done some soldering work on a boiler located behind the stage in the hall.

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6. On 25 May, [] an additional barbed wire fence had been erected along the western edge of the field. Foxholes 40 to 50 meters apart were also located alongside of this fence.
 7. On 3 June, the MVD building at No 98 Kesselgrund Strasse was surrounded by a barbed wire fence and guarded by a Soviet sentry.

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1. [] Comment. The stores referred to as Wirtschaften were previously reported [] 25X1A

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2. [] Comment. A ground attack division and a subordinate ground attack regiment were stationed at Doeberitz airfield prior to late May 1953. Then, the units were transferred to Brandenburg-Briest. The reported observation confirms the assumption that Store Krushilnitzki belongs to this ground attack division and was probably transferred to Brandenburg-Briest. Store Mashkin most probably supplies the units in the Schoenwalde-Doeberitz area which are directly subordinate to the Twenty-Fourth Air Army. 25X1

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